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2020-21 ASWU Meeting Minutes | March 31, 2021

In Attendance:

Parker Daniels President Hannah Higgins Exec. Vice President Faizzan UI Haq Financial Vice President Jorge Medina Exec. Admin. Assistant	present present Present present
Emily Clemons Campus Activities Coordinator Lauren Lorenz Sports Events Coordinator John Haberlin Sustainability Coordinator Katie Ludlam Senior Class Coordinator Aeron Sugui Marketing/PR Coordinator Sam Henson Special Events Coordinator Rachel Ayres Spiritual Life Coordinator Esther Brown Cultural Events Coordinator Katie Rose Club Coordinator	present present present present present present present present
Emma John Arend Senator McClain Chandler Baldwin-Jenkins Senator Olivia Fowler Oliver Senator Jaedon Tesarik McMillan Senator Meghan Duarte Ballard Senator Jed Young Boppell and Village Senator Adaeze Njoku Stewart Senator Xavier Nila Duvall Senator	present present present present present present present

Isaac Price Warren Senator	present
David Martin Off-Campus Senator	absent
Michael Lie Global Engagement Rep	present
Georgia Goff Incoming Student Rep	present
Christian Aguilar Incoming Student Rep	present
Christine Chen Off-Campus rep	present
Jamie Copeland Off-Campus rep	present
Munya Fashu-kanu Off-Campus rep	present
Michael Bedford Off-Campus rep	present
Victoria Viloudaki WhitFlex rep	present

Meeting brought to order at 5:00 PM. Mission Statement read by Michael B.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Katie R, Seconded by Jed In favor: 17 | Opposed: 0 | Abstaining

Motion passes

Club Updates

Environmental Action Coalition: We have redone the constitution, so it is no longer just the KIPOS CLUB and working on for the pines policy. Next initiative is earth week an entire week of events every day that week. Will be sending out the dates later on and that will be the biggest project for the year. Contact mmarkillie22@my.whit...

Swing and Ballroom Dance: Our first semester went a bit better since we did lots of workshop for line dancing. This year have been building up the team again and we meet every Wednesday. This semester the COVID rules have been more defined so haven't had any workshops lately but the execs still meet and go over plans we would like to put on later. Been taking inventory of all the stuff we had and replaced a speaker. For next year we are planning some big events and more workshops. Contact ealbers23@my.whit...

President Updates

Parker: Whitworth has been wanting feedback on thoughts on requiring the COVID Vaccine next year. An option could be that you would need a vaccine

to attend Whitworth, or the other option would be allowing them to sign a form of declination but if there are any cases, they would have to leave campus.

Katie R: I am in favor of the declination form; I think it would be super hard to get everyone on board

Michael B: Question, if there is a single case what would happen to them?

Parker: With a case like mumps if there was a case they would not be allowed on campus after 30 days if they signed the declination form

Hannah: I signed a declination form in high school and with that I was part of an exclusion group and when I had to leave, I had to figure out my own education.

Jed: I am in favor of making it a requirement, since were a private institution we should say to get it in order to make everyone feel safe

Victoria: a lot of my constitutions are saying that if there is no vaccine required, they may not come back on campus so there should be something in place.

Mac: What's the possibility of vaccine center on campus, and if we are going to require it, we need to give people the opportunity to get the vaccine.

Parker: Odds are we would not get a vaccination clinic until summer

Jason: We talked about this and if we made it mandatory, we would provide a space on campus

Adaeze: I don't think it's fair to force anyone, personally I'm not against, but I do know there are people against that for various reasons so I think it might be unfair, but it depends on everything else going on

Michael: I want to draw attention to people that care about what goes into their body and we should not require it

Rachel: I'm curious as to what other schools are doing, and was there any timeline?

Parker: they did not give me a timeline, and no other colleges have made decisions on this yet.

Michael Lie; I have questions if it would be covered, and in an outbreak is there a way to make it easier for those that leave campus to attend classes.

Parker: if there was an outbreak it would fall on them to figure that out and so people that sign the form will take it very seriously.

Olivia: I don't think it should be fully mandatory because there are people who have bad allergies that can only get one dose or something like that. I also think we should do the declination form because people want normalcy on campus but if tons of people don't want to get vaccinated then that could set us back.

John: It needs to be mandatory, if someone medically can't get the vaccine, we still need to reach herd immunity and we made a big deal about the health and safety and so we need to keep that in mind.

Katie R: I stand by my statement of the declination form, but I think because we live in this area, it tends to be more conservative and some people in the area might give backlash and so whitworth needs to keep in mind they might get backlash from the community and alumni that don't agree with the vaccine.

Jed: I want to respond to those that mentioned freedom of choice of body and comes back to determining what's good for us and we can't decide on doing things that are good for everyone. If you don't want to take the vaccine that's fine but I don't want to be around them

Sam: thinking of the bigger picture let's say in the fall they use masks but ease away and if people who are not vaccinated, they could still get it and pass, if they are quarantined, they would have to attend classes, would professors still do zoom for those limited number of people. Certain vaccinations are already required

Parker: There has been a task force put together to look over the current academic dishonesty policies and how they should be redone to work better. Some of the execs and I looked at some case studies to see what we thought if those violated the academic dishonesty policy or not, and they may want more

student feedback so to keep an eye out for that. With prayer feedback, after looking about the results we are not moving forward with prayer.

Senior Class Coordinator Job Description

Katie Luds: I removed the fundraiser section and made it its own line item, so it doesn't feel like an option

Olivia motions to approve changes, Jed seconds

In favor: 17 | Opposed: 0 | Abstaining 0

Motion passes

FVP Updates

Capital: \$15,280

Unallocated: \$ 16,484

Faizzan: Our account balances are the same for this week, for finance committee we will have a date next week.

EVP Updates

Hannah: The student highlight is the diversity monologue participants so be sure to give them a shoutout.

SEC Updates

Emily: applications opened up for elections and open until the 5th. Encourage people to apply! Interest meetings tonight and tomorrow

Coordinator Spotlight

Katie Ludlam: I'm senior class coordinator, in my job I do events such as the last first day of school, we had a movie night, and also a money moves after graduation event. I'm hoping to continue a partnership with balance your bucs for seniors to get more information. There was also one pine day where I advertised for the senior class gift and raised almost double what we planned for. It takes a lot of planning and emailing. Graduation planning has also been in the works, in choosing most influential professor and the speakers graduation. A lot of this job is getting asked what seniors think. Upcoming we have senior grad fair in April, senior bingo night in May, and hoping to do one last in person event this semester.

Upcoming Events:

Easter Baskets:

Rachel: this happened today, thank you all for the support. It was really cool to serve and they said if we ever wanted to volunteer, they would love the help.

Unplugged:

Sam: It is called Unplugged 2: Sing by Spring, and the deadline to sign up is Monday the 5th. We wanted to open it up to new performers and so please encourage people to sign up.

Movie Night:

Emily: Movie night will be in the loop on the 17th at 8 pm. We are going to have snacks and tickets will be available to pick up in the hub soon

Microaggressions and Identity Politics:

Parker: this will be a space for people to talk about this topic and try to break down stereotypes. It will be on April 26th-27th. We have also already picked out some speakers.

Lil' Springfest:

Parker: Lil' Springfest will be on May 1st, and we will be in contact with some food trucks soon.

Constituency Reports

Arend

Emma: Arend is doing good, got in contact with pool table supplier and coming tomorrow. Having trouble with kitchen and side doors and people being messy.

Whitflex rep

Victoria: My off campus and flex easter basket we are working on ordering the items and sending that out soon. Going to ask for help later on to write thank you cards. There has been an uptick in cases on campus and is there something we could say to students about following covid guidelines and MPR is closed due to covid concerns and off campus students weren't alerted about it.

Duvall

Xavier: Duvall is doing good; nobody is coming to my office hours. For some reason people ripped out the elevator buttons but that's fixed.

Warren

Isaac: Not too much going on people looking forward to the weekend

Baldwin Jenkins

Mac: BJ is poppin off, some of the softball team got COVID, so there's been a lot less people, sorry BJ sometimes has COVID. The printer is doing great.

Global Engagement Rep

Michael L: International students doing good, one complaint from a student about the food in Sodexo and sometimes when they serve the food they can't eat and so I will be meeting with them on Monday.

Incoming Student Rep

Christian: Past Saturday we had paint night and it went well, the artist was super engaging, and everyone followed along well. I also don't believe when you all say you're doing good.

Georgia: I know Christian killed it at paint night but heard lots of freshmen are really burnt out right now.

Off Campus

Victoria: Wanted to address about spring break lots of people are upset we didn't get one with the decrease of cases they still stuck with what they chose in the fall.

Stewart

Adaeze: a little bit of low energy with midterms and no spring break, the fridge has been smelling for a long time that might be coming from a can of beans. The dryer situation may have been fixed, and no one comes to my office hours either.

McMillan

Jaedon: Mac's doing good. We got our bro tanks on the way and threw out a survey for a BMAC frisbee and could get about 50.

Ballard

Meghan: Echo the complaints about spring break, we had some constituents that said they wanted soft serve machine in hub and want more memes.

Oliver

Olivia: People are still having midterms up until the end of this week, our elevator is also broken but we are getting through it and washers not broken anymore.

Boppell

Jed: Boppin' some people have been thrown into quarantine but out now and have been talking to RA's about the discrimination going on in the country.

Campus Vibes

Hannah: Spring break, I am also frustrated but it was decided last year with student input, and last year they were talking about spring break for 2023 and so those things take a lot of time. The MPR does have signs that its closed for COVID noncompliance and I heard it is opening up soon. With office hours, I've talked to many of you about switching up hours and being creative.

Jaedon: assuming for next year, COVID isn't a thing will we have the breaks?

Hannah: no, they changed that last minute because of COVID so I would assume if there are no issues, we should still have breaks

Georgia: when I went home, I used my brother's bathroom and it made me appreciate the janitorial staff and would want to show appreciation.

Christian: Stewart right now is signing a thank you card for the janitorial staff

Rachel: this Friday is good Friday and that is the day we remember Jesus' resurrections and so in the loop from 12-3 we will have different stations to interact with Jesus's story

Lauren: I was outside walking with my mom and this student screamed at us for not wearing masks together but in general lately people may jump to conclusions so go in with an open mind. Jason: there is the policy that states in any public space you should be wearing a mask, but as Emily mentioned tomorrow announcements come out about positions so please be mindful of those that applied to positions.

Hannah: mental health check, do what you need to do to take care of yourself

Olivia: In the fall they talked about having professors give days off and a lot of them are wondering if that's going on this semester since a vast majority of professors are not.

Parker: Professors were given two optional days that they could give off to students.

Jed: about spring break I understand why, however I have heard from students that professors are assigning work during the Easter break which is not good.

Shout outs

Christian: shoutout to Rachel her easter baskets turned out so good

Jed: shout out to Victoria, and Christine who got vaccines on the same day as me, Parker for playing jaws with me and brody for surviving 2 shark bites

Georgia: Christian for running the paint night he did an incredible job despite everything else.

Parker: shout out to Jed for teaching me jaws, and everyone else in ASWU I appreciate y'all

Christian: Shoutout to Emily for running SEC as she has been learning a lot.

Adjourn Meeting

John moves to adjourn meeting, Meghan Seconds In favor 17 | Opposing 0 | Abstaining 0 Meeting adjourned: 6:00